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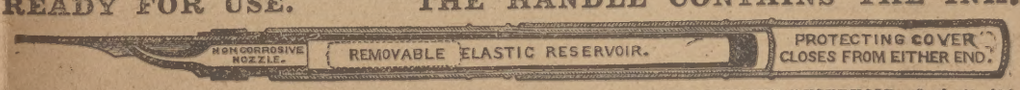

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Lullaby!
Eve is nigh!"

Lullaby!
What the bird sings, piping low,
To its restless, half-fledged brood:
"Weak-winged flutterers! you shall grow
Augurers of the tempest's mood,
Comrades of the gale, ere long,
And shall wake the woods with song.
Lullaby!
Dusk is nigh!

Lullaby!
Croons the mother, when the child
To its cradled nest is lain:
"Sundown's bodeful glare, a wild
Hectic, fires the nursery pane.
Vail those stars of morn, your eyes,
Till morn's star is in the skies.
Lullaby!
Night is nigh!"

Lullaby!
What my heart, unrestful, hears
Love in soothing tones repeat:
"Sleep, babe, tired 'twixt play and tears;
Wild bird, cease your wings to beat;
Flower that looked upon the sun,
Fold your leaves. the day is done.
Lullaby!
Death is nigh!"

—*Elise Cooper, in Once a Week.*

A COMEDY OF ERRORS.

It was the practice of the good people of Bumpingtonshire to fill their houses for the annual hunt ball, and none were more assiduous in this than the Hardups of Soakington Hall. The Hardups were a young married couple who had lived some few years in the neighborhood and were both wealthy and hospitably disposed. Nothing, in fact, pleased them better than entertaining a houseful of cheery people. On the particular occasion with which we have now to deal, the Hardups were anxious to eclipse the convivialty of all previous gatherings, and Mrs Hardup had every reason to be satisfied with her success down to the day before the party was fixed to assemble. On the morning of that day, however, she received the following epistle from her cousin, Reggie Bunkum, one of the most highly prized of her expected guests:

"DEAR CIS—I can't tell you how sorry I am to have to cry "off" at the last moment, but old Standish, who has come to us as under secretary, has done me the honor of selecting me to be his private secretary. He wants me to get into harness at once, so I can't possibly get away, as you will understand. But I wish you would ask my friend, Charlie Twizzelton, to take my place. You have heard me speak of him before, though you don't know him. He is such sport that I am sure you will be delighted with him. He is quite first rate on the banjo and has a never-ending repertoire of comic songs. Furthermore he is a capital 'conjurer,' and, mind you, don't forget to make him do the 'three dogs in a barrel.' You'd declare there really were three if you didn't know. You must not be surprised if he turns up at some time as a tramp or in some such outlandish character. A line to the Bachelor's Club will find him. I shall think of your festive party when I am grinding away at estimates and such like abominations. Love to Jack. Your affectionate cousin,

"REGGIE BUNKUM."

"I am sorry that Reggie is not coming," remarked Mrs. Hardup to her husband. "But it can't be helped. I suppose, however, that we may as well ask Mr. Twizzleton. He sounds as if he would be fun."

"Oh, by all means," responded the genial Jack Hardup. "Write and tell him we'll meet him by the 6:50 at Bumpington, if he can come, and ask him to send a wire in the morning."

Mrs. Hardup accordingly dispatched a note to Mr. Twizzleton. The next morning she received a telegram accepting her invitation, and the same afternoon in due course a carriage was dispatched to Bumpington Junction to meet the expected guest.

Mr. Twizzleton was, of course, freely canvassed at Mrs. Hardup's tea table that afternoon. Reggie Bunkum's account of his friend's accomplishments naturally raised lively anticipations, and the appearance of the new comer was awaited with much curiosity. No one saw him arrive, for the train was late, and when the carriage returned from the station the Hardups and their guests were dressing for dinner; but when, after the company had assembled in the drawing room, Mr. Twizzleton was announced and made his appearance, blank amazement fell upon all present. The new arrival was, to all appearance, about 60 years of age. His dress was such as was worn by elderly gentlemen of fashion in the days of Mr. Pickwick. A black satin stock enveloped his neck. He was gorgeous in a velvet waistcoast copiously adorned with coral buttons. From his fob dangled a heavy bunch of old fashioned seals and trinkets. The oddity of his appearance was further enhanced by a pair of green spectacles, the object of which the more acute observers present at once took to be to complete his disguise.

Only one explanation of this unexpection apparition seemed possible.

"I suppose," whispered Mrs. Hardup to her husband, when she had welcomed her guest and introduced him to the lady whom he was to take in to dinner, "that this is one of the disguises in which Reggie warned us that his friend might appear."

"Apparently so," returned Jack; "but it's rather queer form to lead off with a practical joke of this description. What on earth are we to say to him?"

Fortunately dinner was at once announced, and put an end to the momentary awkwardness which Mr. Twizzleton's little joke had caused. The majority of the company were, like their host, uncertain what line to take with this practical joker, and, as a consequence, he was left during the progress of the meal mainly to the society of Mrs. Carnegie, whom he had brought in to dinner. This lady was the well preserved and vivacious widow of an Indian judge, and flattered herself that she was fully a match for the eccentric individual by her side. They had not conversed very long, however, before Mr. Twizzleton fairly puzzled her.

"I hope, Mr. Twizzleton," she remarked, soon after they were settled in their places, "that your sight is not so bad as to prevent your dancing this evening?"

"Dancing, my dear madam!" replied Mr. Twizzleton; "I fear my infirmity of sight is not the only obstacle to that. It is thirty years since I considered myself a dancing man, and to be asked to dance was the last thing I expected when I came here."

"Indeed!" returned the widow, with an arch glance. "Did you expect to be left in charge of the hall while the rest of us disport ourselves at the Bumpkinton ball?"

"Ah, madam, I see that you are joking," replied the imperturbable Twizzleton. "My engagement with our charming hostess, whom I am agreeably surprised to see looking so well, is the only occupation I can look forward to to-night."

"Well," said Mrs. Carnegie, with a little toss of her head, "of course you will have to dance with Cicely, but it is a little cool to inform me that you intend to favor nobody else—even though she be our hostess."

Mr. Twizzleton assumed an air of astonishment which would have done credit to any actor on the boards.

"I dance with her!" he exclaimed. "Surely, madam, I misunderstand you. I cannot believe that a lady would dream of dancing under such circumstances."

"And why not, pray?" inquired the widow.

"Because it would be the height of imprudence—I had almost said madness. So far from encouraging her I should feel bound to forbid anything of the kind."

Mrs. Carnegie looked at Mr. Twizzleton's unmoved features, and felt thoroughly mystified. She tried other lines of conversation, but had no better success in persuading him to drop his assumed character.

Before dinner was over she was more than half convinced that he was not acting at all, and that the real author of the farce was Mr. Reggie Bunkum, who had amused himself by palming off this old fossil upon his cousins for a drawing-room comique.

When the ladies had retired the male portion of the company tried their hands at drawing out Mr. Twizzleton; but as they succeeded no better than Mrs. Carnegie in getting behind his disguise, the opinion was very soon formed that the joke was a dismal failure, and that Mr. Twizzleton was making an egregious fool of himself. The last hope of getting any fun out of the thing expired on their return to the drawing-room. On being sounded respecting the banjo, Reggie Bunkum's boasted chum vehemently repudiated any knowledge of the instrument, while a request from Mrs. Hardup for the "three dogs in the barrel," produced a look of hopeless bewilderment

upon his features which was almost pathetic in its intensity.

In the meantime, however, the striking realism of Mr. Twizzleton's performance had made an impression on Jack Hardup somewhat similar to that on Mrs. Carnegie, only Jack's suspicions took a somewhat different direction from the widow's. When the gentlemen moved off to the drawing-room, the master of the house called Thompson, his trusty butler, on one side, and interrogated him closely as to Mr. Twizzleton's appearance on his arrival. The butler no sooner gathered that his master was perplexed about his new guest than he proceeded to unburden his own mind.

"Beg pardon, sir," he said, "but do I understand as you think there is some mistake about Mr. Twizzleton?"

"He is not at all the sort of gentleman I expected to see, Thompson. But why do you ask?"

"Because I see some things, sir, when I was unpacking his portmanteau that I don't like the look of at all."

"What sort of things?" inquired Hardup.

"Well, sir, p'raps as the gentlemen are all in the drawing room now, you wouldn't mind stepping up stairs and seeing for yourself. I can lay my hand on 'em in a moment."

Jack reflected an instant, hesitating between the obligations of hospitality and anxiety to get at the bottom of the Twizzleton mystery. The latter motive prevailed, and he accordingly hurried up to Mr. Twizzleton's apartment, followed by the butler. Thompson at once produced two black leather cases. Opening the first, Hardup found it to contain several mysterious looking instruments, of the nature and purpose of which he was ignorant. In the second, however, he was startled to find a pair of desperate looking knives, with long blades highly polished, and as keen as razors. The very sight of them made Jack's blood run cold.

"Well, Thompson," he said, more puzzled than ever, "what do you make of these?"

"'Tain't for me to say, sir," replied the butler; "but I hope they don't mean murder—that's all!"

"Murder! What do you mean?"

"Well, sir, if as you say you have your doubts about this gentleman being Mr. Twizzleton, all that I can say is that some of these burglars and gentlemen sharpers have precious artful ways of gettin' into folks' houses, and if those tools (Thompson pointed to the first case) ain't part of a burglar's stock in trade, I'm——"

"Nonsense, Thompson," interrupted his master. "You've got burglary on the brain. Put the things back and say nothing more about it."

With that Hardup made his way back to the drawing room, feeling rather guilty. He found that Mr. Twizzleton was not in the room. Nor was Mrs. Hardup. Jack was told that Twizzleton had earnestly begged for five minutes' conversation with his hostess, and that they had gone together into the library only a moment ago. The company were busily discussing the mysterious stranger.

"I don't believe his face is made up at all," said one lady. "I could see wrinkles distinctly, and I'm sure he never hired such a bald head as that."

"My impression is that the whole thing is a joke of Reggie Bunkum's," observed Mrs. Carnegie, adhering to her previous theory.

"I believe," said Mr. Fred Jarvis, "that it is Reggie's friend, and that he has gone off his head. I have heard of cases where fellows have played the fool in this way until they have come to believe they are somebody else."

At that moment a piercing shriek resounded through the house from the library, causing the guests to look at one another with horrified glances. Followed by Mr. Jarvis and the rest of the gentlemen, Hardup hurried away in the direction of the disturbance. Opening the library door, they found Mrs. Hardup, to all appearance, half fainting with terror, and clinging to the bell pull, while Mr. Twizzleton stood between her and the door, evidently scarcely less agitated.

"Oh, hold him! hold him!" shrieked the lady. "He's mad! He is going to murder me."

There was certainly some reason for alarm, for on the table lay a case of weapons scarcely less formidable than those Hardup had see up stairs.

"What is the meaning of this, sir?" cried Jack, while two or three gentlemen cautiously surrounded Mr. Twizzleton.

"My dear sir," replied the stranger, mopping the perspiration from his brow with a red silk handkerchief, "I'm as much at loss to understand matters as yourself. I desired to see your good lady in order to remonstrate on her imprudence in not taking more care of herself. On my producing my instruments for the purpose of making an examination and asking to see her arm she at once fell into the state of agitation which you perceive."

"Either you must be out of your mind, Mr. Twizzleton," exclaimed Hardup, angrily, "or this is the most impertinent fooling I ever——"

The sentence was cut short by the entrance of the butler. Jack was about to say that he could not be interrupted at this moment; but, on Thompson mysteriously whispering something in his ear, he made a hasty apology to the company, and left the room. In half a minute he returned, accompanied by a gentleman of four or five and twenty, in traveling clothes.

"Now, sir," said Hardup, addressing Mr. Twizzleton, "this gentleman (indicating the newcomer) claims to be Mr. Charles Twizzleton, whom we expected by the 6:50 train at Bumpington this evening. It seems that by some mistake he has been taken elsewhere. Perhaps you can explain how it is that you have got here in his place and under his name."

"If you will excuse me for a minute," interposed the new Twizzleton, "I think I can throw some light on the situation." Thereupon he informed the company how, on his arrival at Bumpington, he had been accosted by a man servant, who inquired whether he was "Mr. Twizzeton for Soakington," and on his replying in the affirmative, he had been at once conveyed to a house four or five miles off, which he had since learned was the Manor House, Soakington.

"What an extraordinary mistake!" exclaimed Hardup. "How did you discover it?"

"As soon as I arrived a starchy-looking spinster met me, and pretty nearly threw me on my beam ends by asking, in a solemn tone, whether I would look at mamma's arm at once or wait until Mr. Squills came. You see, I concluded there must be a mistake somewhere. Squills arrived in half an hour. It turned out that he was the local doctor. The mamma, whose name I found was Seely, and not Hardup, had something wrong, it seems, with her left arm, and Squills, considering that amputation was necessary, had called in my eminent namesake, Dr. Theophilus Twizzleton, of Harley street, who was oddly enough expected by the same train as myself. Unless I am mistaken, Mr. Hardup, you have got him here."

On hearing this the elder Mr. Twizzleton at once produced his card and handed it to Hardup, apologizing at the same time for his intrusion.

"I am delighted, my dear madam," he said, turning to Mrs. Hardup, "that you have no occasion for my services. With your permission I will now go to poor Mrs. Seely, and leave my namesake to perform with the banjo and the three dogs in the barrel."

But he did not go. The hospitable Hardups insisted on making amends for his discomfiture by keeping him for the night and taking him to the Bumpington ball. There Mrs. Carnegie persuaded him to renew his dancing days, and devoted herself to consoling him with so much success that it is very likely there will soon be a Mrs. Twizzleton in Harley street.—*London Truth.*

The Stamp Collecting Craze.

The craze for collecting postage stamps rages with more or less intensity all over the world. There are places where they are bought and sold in many of the larger cities. On a corner of the Champs Elysees of Paris, near the Circus building, you can see a crowd of men and boys assembled every Sunday afternoon, with little books in their hands which they are carefully studying and comparing. They are stamp collectors, and they meet to hold a stamp exchange. Old stamps are exchanged, bought and sold, and the rivalry to possess something very rare in that line will sometimes run it up to a high figure. There is more of the stamp craze in this country than many know. A spell ago a letter carrier in New York who had it bad, was arrested for removing stamps from foreign letters received at the New York Postoffice. On being searched his pockets were found to be full of them. It was a veritable mania with him.—*Texas Siftings.*

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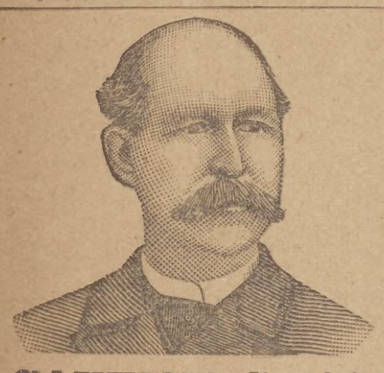

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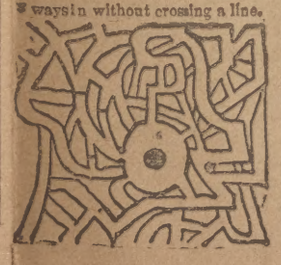

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The contract to run an electric road up Lookout Mountain, Tenn., has been agreed upon.

A monster blast was recently made in Scotland in which 75,000 tons of granite were displaced.

The body of a boy drowned in a pond was found by submerging an incandescent light secured to the end of a pole.

Recent experiments demonstrate that sea water ice floats with one part above water and fourteen and eight-tenths below.

At some places the force of the sea dashing upon the rocks on the shore is said to be seventeen tons to the square yard.

Spontaneous combustion in cotton soaked with oil is said to take place most quickly when there is equal weight of each.

Fortunately in New Zealand some of the birds are protected by governmental laws, but already many of the species have died out.

At Harvard College photographs have been obtained of the outer satellite of Mars and of all the satellites of Saturn and Uranus except Mimas.

One of the most striking conceptions of modern physics is that matter is eternally trembling with vibrations, to the variations of which are due our sensations.

The Victorian age, according to Professor Ayrton, will be remembered rather for the economical transmission of power by electricity than for the invention of the electric telegraph.

Various unsuccessful attempts have been made to introduce rapid-fire Armstrong guns into the navy. The weight of opinion of naval experts has been in favor of the Hotchkiss weapon.

The White system of elevated electric railroad provides for cars having but two wheels, one at either end, the car being steadied horizontally by four guide wheels at each end, having a bearing against side rails considerably above the level of the main rail.

The Congress of Americanists, composed of some of the most distinguished scientists of Europe engaged in the study of the prehistoric nations of America, which recently completed a very important and successful session in Berlin, voted to meet in Washington in 1890.

A simple and effective remedy for sty has been found to be a solution of fifteen grains of boric acid to an ounce of water. By applying this solution three times a day to the inflamed part of the eyelids, by means of a camel's-hair brush, this painful and annoying affection will be conquered very rapidly.

Experiments made for the French Minister of Agriculture indicate that sugar is a better preservative of meat than salt. It is more expensive, but the powdered sugar forms a coating retaining the juices of the meat without loss, while the nutritive qualities of the meat are considerably lessened by the salt.

The skin and digestion of miners are made delicate by lack of sunlight, but S. G. Nasmyth finds that the air of coal mines compares favorably in chemical composition with that of schools and workshops. Temperature is much better—even luxurious—the highest in an English mine during three months being fifty-five degrees Fahrenheit, and the lowest fifty-three.

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A Famous Chinese Food Delicacy.

Ths Goo has excited the Chinese quarter. Ths Goo is not a man, it is a famous Chinese food delicacy, whose root is richer in taste than the best of yams. It is to Chinamen what celery is to a 'Melican man. It was not supposed to grow in this country, but Dr. Li, a Chinese botanist, of Mott street, some time ago recognized a species of American pond lily or wild lily, that grows everywhere in America, as Ths Goo. The doctor discovered it in a creek in Astoria. He dug one out of the water; its roots were very small, but upon close examination he found it to be the very identical "Ths Goo" of China, whose valuable roots are sold at ten cents apiece. He took out several and sent them to a Chinese farmer in California for cultivation. The latter reared them in a hothouse until he had secured a sufficient quantity of seedlings, and then planted them in a field which was immersed in water last spring. This species of lily, when carefully cultivated, produces great quantities of yellowish roots that resemble the Irish potato, but are smaller in size and longer. Yesterday a Chinese storekeeper in Mott street received two barrels of them from the farmer in San Francisco, who raised nearly a ton this season from the seedlings received from Dr. Li. The Chinamen were wild with delight when they saw fresh Ths Goo here as if in China. They were sold in less than an hour after their arrival at twenty cents per pound. Considering that these were apparently a wild vegetable, picked up in one of the highways near New York, it is a good price, especially when each of these plants would produce as much as five or six pounds of Ths Goo each season.—*New York Telegram.*

The Belgian Horse.

The Belgian is one of the largest of draft horses. Belgium and Flanders have long been celebrated for the immense proportions of their draft horses. They are said to have been known since the time of Cæsar. The Flanders mares were celebrated hundreds of years ago in England, and have assisted materially in the improvement of the English breeds of draft horses. The Belgian Government has carefully fostered these horses, and, although among the largest of draft breeds, they are not considered thoroughbreds, in the sense the term is now used. In this country they are more properly considered as congeners of the French draft, or Normans, rather than as being a distinct breed; but the probability is they are older than the modern horse of Normandy, and that they have assisted in breeding weight in the Percheron and Norman horses.—*Farm, Field and Stockman.*

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A Great Misfortune.

The heavy rains last fall totally ruined crops in some localities, and its effect is now being seen in diseases among farm animals. Almost every day cases of roup, swelled head and a distemper very disastrous among poultry are reported. A part of this is also due to improper feeding. Many persons think as soon as cold weather comes on, they must begin to feed heating food to their hens, like corn meal, &c. The result of this course is, if they no not break down from the diseases prevalent, they soon get very fat, look fine and people wonder why they do not lay. You cannot make a hen lay when everything you give her is being transformed into fat, and laying the foundation of disease same as with an over fed child or person. Alfred T. Johnson, Hampton, N. H., says: "Last fall I had 80 fine looking hens, which began to droop and die; I changed their food and began using Sheridan's Powder; in three weeks they were nearly well, and had increased the eggs sixteen a day. I have just bought six cans of it, as a preventive of disease the coming winter. It can't be beat, for that large can saved me $40 last year."

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